Sl.No.	Name of Exchanges
17	Rikhnikhal
18	Chelta
19	Naugonkhal
20	Ekeshwar
13	**Distt. Rudraprayag**
1	Kedarnath
2	Gaurikund
3	Makkumath
4	Rampur
5	Phata
6	Bhiri
7	Jakholi
8	Basukedar
9	Lambgaundi
10	Gholtir
11	Saterakhal
12	Chandrapuri
13	Chopra
14	Okhimath
15	Telwara
16	Guptkashi
17	Durgadhar
18	Karanprayag (SBM to RSU Conversion)

BSNL mobile phone connections in Karnataka

407. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of BSNL mobile connections that have, so far, been provided in the State of Karnataka;

(b) whether it has come to Government's notice that a large number of people are waiting for BSNL mobile phone connections in the State;

(c) if so, how many of them are yet to be given this facility;

(d) the reasons for not providing this facility, so far; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken to provide more BSNL mobile phone connections in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) A total of 3,50,473 BSNL mobile connections (97,782 post-paid and 2,52,691 pre-paid) are working in Karnataka.

(b) to (d) BSNL Post-paid connections are available on demand in Karnataka. There is a demand for BSNL's Pre-paid connections for which the system has capacity constraint. However, no waiting list has been maintained for applicants of Pre-paid connections.

(e) The network is being expanded to increase the present capacity by additional 3,78,000 lines in the current year which will meet Pre-paid demand of the State.

Software production

†408. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of institutions engaged in software production has been closed during the last few years;

(b) if so, the number of units closed during the years 2001-2002, 2002-2003 and 2003-2004, year-wise;

(c) the States where these units were located alongwith the number of units in each State; and

(d) the amount of capital investment made by Government Financial Institutions in these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) to (d) A statement showing details of software exporting units registered under Software Technology Park (STP) scheme, which have been closed during the years 2001-2002, 2002-2003and 2003-2004,

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.